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Title: ZOOM LENS SYSTEM, AND IMAGE PICKUP SYSTEM USING THE SAME

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Before examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Page 1, line 1, please insert the following new paragraph

**CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This Application is a Divisional Application of U.S. Application No. 09/709,551, filed November 13, 2000, allowed, the entire original contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 3-5 and 11-18 without prejudice.